

## **DECLARATION**

As the below-named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below under my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "METHOD, ARTICLE AND APPARATUS FOR REGISTERING REGISTRANTS, SUCH AS VOTER REGISTRANTS," the specification of which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 24, 2000 (Attorney Docket No. 32462-8004US). This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/149,621 filed August 16, 1999.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification and claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application.

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#### **PATENT**

**FOR** 

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant** 

C. Andrew Neff

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METHOD, ARTICLE AND APPARATUS

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32462-8004US

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

# ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.71 AND 3.73 AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Sir:

The undersigned, being Assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application by virtue of an Assignment filed concurrently herewith, a copy of which is enclosed, hereby elects under 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventors.

Assignee hereby appoints JERRY A. RIEDINGER, Registration No. 30,582; MAURICE J. PIRIO, Registration No. 33,273; JOHN C. STEWART, Registration No. 40,188; MICHAEL D. BROADDUS, Registration No. 41,637; BRIAN P. MCQUILLEN, Registration No. 41,989; TARANEH MAGHAME, Registration No. 43,768; CATHERINE HONG TRAN, Registration No. 43,960; ROBERT G. WOOLSTON, Registration No. 37,263; PAUL T. PARKER, Registration No. 38,264; JOHN M. WECHKIN, Registration No. 42,216; BRIAN G. BODINE, Registration No. 40,520; CHRISTOPHER DALEY-WATSON, Registration No. 34,807;

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STEVEN D. LAWRENZ, Registration No. 37,376; JAMES A.D. WHITE, Registration No. 43,985; and FRANK ABRAMONTE, Registration No. 38,066, as the principal attorneys with full power of substitution, association, and revocation to prosecute said application, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to receive the letters patent therefor. Please direct all telephone calls to Frank Abramonte at (206) 583-8888 and telecopies to (206) 583-8500.

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Attn: Frank Abramonte

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned duly authorized designee of Assignee certifies that the evidentiary documents have been reviewed, specifically the Assignment to VoteHere.net filed concurrently herewith for recording, a copy of which is attached hereto, and certifies that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of the Assignee.

VOTEHERE.NET

Aug. 22,2000

Jim Adler

President and CEO

Enclosure:

Copy of Assignment

## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, C. Andrew Neff ("ASSIGNOR"), having a post office address of 3101 Northup Way, Suite 250, Bellevue, Washington 98004, am the sole inventor of an invention entitled "METHOD, ARTICLE AND APPARATUS FOR REGISTERING REGISTRANTS, SUCH AS VOTER REGISTRANTS," as described and claimed in the specification for which an application for United States patent was filed on March 24, 2000, and assigned Application No. 09/534,836; and

WHEREAS, VoteHere net ("ASSIGNEE"), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business at 3101 Northup Way, Suite 250, Bellevue, Washington 98004, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention and in and to any patents that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns, and transfers unto ASSIGNEE, its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention as set forth in the above-mentioned application, including any continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions, reissues, re-examinations, or extensions thereof, any other inventions described in the application, and any and all patents of the United States of America and all foreign countries that may be issued for the invention, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from the United States application to which foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, the invention, application and all patents on the invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this assignment, transfer, and sale not been made.

UPON THE ABOVE-STATED CONSIDERATIONS, ASSIGNOR agrees to not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with this assignment, and at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration but at the expense of ASSIGNEE, execute all instruments and documents and do such additional acts as ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or desirable to perfect ASSIGNEE's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign patents on the invention, for litigation regarding the patents, or for the purpose of protecting title to the invention or patents therefor.

ASSIGNOR authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Patent of the United States that may be issued for the invention to ASSIGNEE.

ASSIGNEE's counsel is authorized to insert the official filing date and

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that C. Andrew Neff is the person who appeared before me, and the person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Signature of Notary Public Susan M. Palvick

Printed Name Susan M. Palvick

My appointment expires 12-8-90